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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Martinez – Gang Members Arrested for Trafficking Firearms

(U) Nine people were arrested, a number of firearms were seized, and drugs were confiscated following a months-long investigation into gang activity in Contra Costa County, according to officials. The investigation focused on a gang in East Contra Costa County believed to be involved in illegal firearms dealing. The Contra Costa County Anti-Violence Support Effort spearheaded the investigation and was assisted by a number of federal, state, and local agencies.

SOURCE: 13 November 2017, NBC Bay Area

(U) Sacramento – California Sees Increase in West Nile Virus Deaths Compared to Last Year

(U) More people were infected and died of West Nile virus across California this year compared to last year, with the number of infections peaking in September, recent data show. Statewide, there have been 25 deaths so far this year, or six more than all of last year, according to recent data from the California Department of Public Health. In addition, 454 people from across the Golden State were infected this year, a 17 percent increase from 2016. Though the end of the season is approaching, more reports of infections and deaths are likely, public health officials said.

SOURCE: 13 November 2017, Orange County Register

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia – Hate Crimes Rose for Second Year in a Row

(U) Washington – The FBI says hate crimes rose for the second straight year in 2016, with increases in attacks motivated by bias against blacks, Jews, Muslims, and LGBT people. A report released yesterday says there were more than 6,100 hate crimes last year, an increase of about five percent from the year before. In 2015 and 2016, that number was driven by crimes against people because of their race or ethnicity. More than half the 4,229 racially motivated crimes were against black people. Jews were targeted in more than half the 1,538 religion-motivated crimes.

SOURCE: 13 November 2017, CBS News

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Afghanistan – More Than 20 Policeman Killed by Taliban in Checkpoint Attacks

(U) Kabul – The Afghan Taliban attacked more than a dozen checkpoints over six hours in the southern province of Kandahar, killing 22 police and wounding 15, officials said today, as militants killed eight soldiers in the west in a growing insurgency. Government forces killed 45 insurgents and wounded 35, and none of the police checkpoints was captured in the overnight attacks, officials said.

SOURCE: 14 November 2017, Reuters

(U) France - French Intelligence Has Growing List of Suspected Radicals

(U) Paris – France's domestic intelligence chief says nearly 18,000 people are on French watch lists for radicalism, a growing figure. Laurent Nunez, head of the DGSI agency, is also warning that the ISIS'

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retreat in the Middle East "doesn't weaken the level of threat" or diminish the extremists' ability to inspire violent attacks in the West via propaganda. Nunez said that of the nearly 18,000 on watch lists, some 4,000 are under active surveillance. A number of people who have carried out attacks in France in recent years had previously been flagged for radicalism.

SOURCE: 14 November 2017, Associated Press

(U) Russia – Russian Security Forces Detain 69 Members of Islamic Group

(U) Moscow – Russia's top domestic security agency says it has detained 69 suspected members of an outlawed Islamic group during a raid near Moscow. The Federal Security Service said the suspects belonged to Tablighi Jamaat, a global Sunni Islamic missionary movement that has been banned in Russia as an extremist group. The raid follows a series of arrests of suspects accused of involvement in radical and extremist Islamic groups in Russia.

SOURCE: 14 November 2017, Associated Press

(U) Yemen – At Least Six Killed in Yemen Suicide Bombing Claimed by ISIS

(U) Aden – At least six people were killed today when a suicide car bomb ripped through a base used by a local security force in Yemen's southern port city of Aden, residents said, in an attack claimed by ISIS. Dozens of other people, including civilians, were wounded in the attack, which occurred outside a camp used by a local security force organized by the Saudi-led coalition fighting Yemen's Houthi rebels. SOURCE: 14 November 2017, Reuters

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